

November 3, 2011

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Dixon; Comm. Maynard; Supt. Givens; Jeff Pruitt – Economic Development Coalition of SW Indiana; Matt Wallace – Bernardin Lochmueller & Associates, Inc.; Rhys Mathew – Posey County News; and arriving during the meeting, Sue Shelton.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Fuelling moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Higgins moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Chief Dixon stated he has no report.

Board member Higgins questioned how their Annual Halloween event went ?

Chief Dixon replied it was a success, handing out around 1,100 bags of candy. They were done by 6:00 pm.

Board member Fuelling added he had never seen such a crowd.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Supt. Givens stated he has a list of 16 items, as discussed at the last meeting, which need to be declared junk/surplus.

Sue Shelton arrived at the meeting.

The list was then given to the Board, as cited below:

Supt. Givens stated he has quite a bit of scrap piping as well that needs cleared out. The computers, he was told, he can simply remove the hard drive and take a sledge hammer to. The monitors though have mercury in them and will need to be disposed of.

Board member Fuelling questioned the refrigerator.

Supt. Givens replied that will be taken care of too.

Board member Fuelling moved Supt. Givens be permitted to declare everything on the list junk/surplus and scrap it. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Givens concluded his report by stating the IWEA (Indiana Water Environmental Association) Conference will be held November 15<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup> and he would like permission to attend, along with Supt. Danny Moss. He added they will need the credit card and the city vehicle, staying four nights. Board member Higgins moved permission be given. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Comm. Maynard stated with leaf season upon us, he would ask residents to please get their leaves to the edge of their yards close to their schedule pick up day. He stated leaves are lying in the street for several days and this is causing flooding issues with the storm sewers. He also asked that folks be aware of their storm drain and try to keep them clear of leaves.

Comm. Maynard continued his report by stating the mosquito/pest conference they usually attend in January has really been cut back quite a bit. He, Don Rye, and Roger Bebout are all certified and they really are not offering enough credits right now for all of their licenses. He would however, like permission for them all to attend and get some of the credits they need for their category 6, which is hard to get. The conference is December 13 and they could get seven hours, which is about half of what they need every three years. He added they would only need to stay one night.

Board member Fuelling moved permission to attend, use the city vehicle and city credit card be given.

Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Givens asked when the leaf pick up date is ?

Comm. Maynard replied it follows the recycle schedule and trash pick up schedule.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated on the Legal portion of the Agenda is authorization for the Clerk-Treasurer to request an advance draw of the city's property tax settlement.

Board member Higgins moved authorization be given. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated Jeff Pruitt is in the Audience.

Mr. Pruitt stated he is present with draw down forms for Mayor Tucker to sign on Phase II of the sewer project. These draws and an SRF request, will pay the EDC and Keiffer Brothers.

Board member Fuelling moved Mayor Tucker be authorized to sign. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pruitt stated Matt Wallace, of BLA, is also present with an update for the Board on the Storm Water project.

Mr. Wallace stated he is here about bidding out the storm water project. He added the bids/specifications are 90% complete, and again, this project is being funded by an OCRA grant. He would like permission to move forward with advertising for the bids – publication on November 9 and November 16; Pre Bid meeting November 30 at 9:00 am here at City Hall; and bids to be received in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office by 3:30 on December 15, 2011. He added BLA has worked diligently on this project and they feel the bids will be well within the grant amount. He added they will also have alternate bids. He stated they did have question that they need to get with the street department on – where on Wolflin Street Venice Ave alley tees in.

Comm. Maynard stated Supt. Givens has a camera truck they could probably use to find out.

Mr. Wallace replied they would not have to go very far, they would just like a level of comfort on what they believe they are dealing with.

Board member Higgins asked if any of this construction will affect West Elementary School ?

Mr. Wallace replied no and added they have met with the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes, they have talked with Mr. Frye and Mr. Swanson as well. The kids want to help plant some of the plants. He then added he was asked to speak in Indianapolis today on this project and it is getting national, as well as regional attention. Mayor Tucker added local, national, and regional attention – that is good for little Mount Vernon, IN. A very positive thing.

Board member Fuelling authorization to advertise for bids be given. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone else in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated under New Business, the Park & Recreation Department are hosting the Dixielanders on Saturday, November 12, in front of Sherburne Park. They are asking to close Water Street between Main and College from noon till 5:00 pm on that day.

Board member Higgins moved permission be given. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman stated she will be getting the Legal together soon for the supplies for 2012. If she hears of no changes from anyone, she will go with what was advertised last year.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Fuelling. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

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John Tucker  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cristi L. Sitzman  
Clerk-Treasurer